Volunteers bring the law to life

How does the judicial branch of government affect the everyday lives of Michigan citizens? If you have an hour, volunteers at the Michigan Supreme Court Learning Center can tell you. Ten volunteers completed an orientation program that prepared them to guide tours and to assist groups that visit the award-winning gallery.

The Learning Center, which is located on first floor of the Michigan Hall of Justice in Lansing, is designed to introduce school children and adults to the Michigan court system and a variety of law related topics. Visitors—a majority of whom are students—come away with a better understanding of the judicial branch of government.

To schedule a tour or become a volunteer, call (517) 373-7229 or (517) 373-5027. For more information about the Learning Center, visit http://courts.mi.gov/plc/.

Hours: Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Closed on state holidays. Location: First floor of the Michigan Hall of Justice, 925 West Ottawa Street (corner of Allegan Street and Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard). Cost: Admission is free.